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CHARLESTON FEDERAL GRAND JURY INDICTMENTS

Columbia, South Carolina ---- United States Attorney Bill Nettles announced today that a Federal Grand Jury sitting in Charleston, South Carolina, has returned the following indictments:

Two Florida Men Indicted for Counterfeit Credit Card Fraud. Rafick Gilpin, age 20, and Jamara Johnson, age 31, both of Orlando, Florida, were charged in a 1-count Indictment with Possession of Counterfeit Credit Cards, a violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1029. The maximum penalty that Rafick Gilpin and Jamara Johnson could receive is 10 years imprisonment. The case was investigated by agents of the U.S. Secret Service and Yemassee Police Department

and is assigned to Assistant United States Attorney Rhett DeHart of the Charleston office for prosecution.

Mt. Pleasant Man Indicted for Counterfeiting and Possession of a Firearm by a Convicted Felon. Clayton Lamar Jefferson, age 24, of Mt. Pleasant, was charged in a 4-count Indictment with Passing Counterfeit Currency and Possession of a Firearm by a Convicted Felon, a violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 472, 922, and 924. The maximum penalty that Clayton Lamar Jefferson could receive is 20 years imprisonment. The case was investigated by agents of the U.S. Secret Service and the Charleston Police Department and is assigned to Assistant United States Attorney Rhett DeHart of the Charleston office for prosecution.

The United States Attorney stated that the charges in these Indictments are merely accusations and that all defendants are presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

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